# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

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DISEASES OF STOMACH
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether it is a fact that stomach related diseases are increasing in the country;

(b) if so, the cases registered in each year during last three years in Government hospitals;

(c) whether sufficient gastroenterologists are available in Government hospitals and dispensaries to tackle the situation; and

(d) if so, the number of gastroenterologists available in Government hospitals in the country?

## Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA)

(a) & (b) As per data maintained by Central Bureau of Health Intelligence, the overall cases of stomach-relateddiseases reported for the year 2001, are less than those reported for the year 2000. The cases registered during last three years mainly in Government Hospitals are as under:-

| Year | Cholera Diarrhoea | Acute Hepatitis-B | Viral Fever | Enteric |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1999 | 3839 | 8215296 | 131798 | 379304 |
| 2000 | 3879 | 8870507 | 153034 | 471502 |
| 2001 | 4178 | 8765077 | 136516 | 455211 |

(c) & (d) The present health care facilities are geared up to tackle the situation. The number of Gastroenterologists available in the country is not maintained at the Central level.